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Before KRISTA ZELE *Deputy Chief Appeals Administrator*  
ZELE, *Deputy Chief Appeals Administrator*.

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 24, 2008. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the

application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing.

**PRIOR ORDER FOR RETURN**

A prior “Order Returning Undocketed Appeal to Examiner” was mailed on June 21, 2006, wherein the Examiner was instructed that the § 103(a) rejection statement for claims 1-16 and 19-32 was not properly identified in the Examiner’s Answer mailed March 13, 2006. A review of the file finds that the required correction was not made in the corresponding Examiner mailed October 18, 2007.

**REPLY BRIEF NOTED**

On December 17, 2007, a Reply Brief was filed by Appellants. In response to the Reply Brief the Examiner mailed a “Detailed Action” acknowledging the “November 30, 2005” Reply Brief. It should be noted that the correct date should be December 17, 2007.

**CONCLUSION**

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

1) vacate the Examiner’s Answer mailed October 18, 2007 and to submit a corrected Examiner’s Answer identifying all the grounds rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103, particularly claims 1-16 and 19-32;

- 2) consider the Reply Brief filed December 17, 2007; and
- 3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

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